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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing
 is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s)
 according to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c).

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For: THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMER COMPOSITION

Enclosed are:

- X A specification consisting of 58 pages
 sheet(s) of drawings
 Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
 X Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.64 will follow
 Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27
 Preliminary Amendment

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- ☒ Information Sheet
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with reference(s)
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 CFR 1.76
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication

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